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SUBJECT: FURTHER DETAILS ON HARASSMENT OF AMERICAN TOURISTS

REFERENCE: MOSCOW 6996

1. JEWISH ACTIVIST SOURCE WHO WAS PRESENT AT MOSCOW PICNIC WITH AMERICAN DENTISTS OF JEWISH ORIGIN PROVIDED FOLLOWING DETAILS TO EMBOFF MAY 11. DENTISTS AND SEVERAL MOSCOW JEWS BOARDED REGULAR CITY BUS BOUND FOR PICNIC SITE BUT BUS WAS STOPPED BY MILITIAMEN IN CITY OUTSKIRTS AND ALL PASSENGERS WERE ASKED TO PRODUCE DOCUMENTS. MILITIAMEN TOLD GROUP THAT BUS WAS HEADED FOR AREA OFF-LIMITS TO FOREIGNERS AND MADE THEM DISEMBARK. GROUP STARTED WALKING TOWARD PICNIC AREA BUT WAS STOPPED AGAIN BY MILITIAMEN WHO REPEATED THAT AREA WAS CLOSED TO FOREIGNERS. GROUP THEN WENT TO NEARBY FIELD AND HELD PICNIC. JEWISH SOURCE SAID GROUP WAS SURROUNDED BY PLAINCLOTHES "KGB" MEN, SOME OF WHOM TOOK PHOTOGRAPHS. ACCORDING TO SOURCE, SOME RESIDENTS OF AREA ALSO APPEARED AND CURSED AT GROUP, USING ANTI-SEMITIC LANGUAGE. GROUP DEPARTED PEACEFULLY AFTER MODIFIED PICNIC, AND THERE WERE NO ARRESTS EITHER THEN OR LATER.

2. CONSOFF WAS UNABLE DURING COURSE OF MAY 11 TO MAKE CONTACT WITH AMCITS INVOLVED IN INCIDENT. INTOURIST HOTEL
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CLERK REPORTED THAT THERE WAS NO REGISTRATION IN NAMES OF

AMERICANS. ROOM TELEPHONE NUMBERS PROVIDED BY UPI
CORRESPONDENT DID NOT RESPOND. COMMENT- AMERICAN GROUP MAY
HAVE RESUMED ITINERARY AND HAS DECIDED NOT TO BRING INCIDENT
TO ATTENTION OF EMBASSY AT THIS TIME.
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